

HARVEY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Report of the Director of Investment and Regeneration

1. SUMMARY

This report updates the Local Housing Board on the decision by the Chair of the Board and the Director of Investment and Regeneration, for the proposed works to Harvey Road, as delegated to them by the Local Housing Board on the 17 June 2010.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Board notes the approval for works to Harvey Road scheme, as outlined in Appendix 1 and paragraph 3.6 below.

3. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 At the Local Housing Board stakeholder event held in early 2008, Harvey Road improvement works were highlighted as the main scheme for the Allenton and Alvaston area. Many residents felt that the area lacked identity, had ongoing issues with parking on the green areas, and needed updating. A preliminary budget of £500,000 was set aside for this
- 3.2 In order to facilitate the work, Groundworks, Landscape Architects, were set on to carry out consultation over three months, for the environmental improvement work. A masterplan was to be presented in December 2009.
- 3.3 Consultation involved all parts of the community, including elderly, families, local businesses, schools, residents of Alvaston, Boulton and Allenton, Arriva, Police, Highways and Planning Department, Local Councillors, Youth Clubs, Community Centres, Emergency Services and Derby Homes.
- 3.4 A questionnaire was sent out in October 2009 to 275 residents on Harvey Road, which asked for views and comments on ways in which Harvey Road could be improved. The results were collated and worked up into preliminary ideas, which would form the basis for a draft masterplan, to be consulted on in November 2009.
- 3.5 Over the next two months Groundwork attended Alvaston and Boulton Neighbourhood Forums, Surestart and a consultation event at Wyndham Street School.
- 3.6 A masterplan was been produced showing the potential improvements for Harvey Road in line with residents wishes for final consultation. This will be available at meeting, along with displays by Groundwork Trust.

3.7 There are restrictions on the works that Estates Pride funds can be spent on as they must directly benefit the tenants of Derby Homes. The proposed works which can be funded from Estates Pride funds are outlined below. These are:

- New metal fencing to Derby Homes properties. (Owner Occupiers will be given the opportunity to have this work done but at their cost)
- Additional parking using a no dig environmentally friendly system to transform the grassed areas on Harvey Road to sustainable parking bays where possible. These will consist of a strengthened base with regressing which will prevent the ground from being churned up.
- Bollards – replacing the worn out existing bollards with new more visible bollards which will mark out the new parking areas and help to prevent mis-use.
- Street trees including metal protection guards to enhance the street scene
- Installation of benches at key points
- The incorporation of art in the installations.

4. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

A range of consultation has taken place and before the board meeting a special Housing Focus group is being held to consider the proposals.

5. FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN IMPLICATIONS

The budget for the proposed works is within the funds identified and approved by the Council in the Housing Revenue Account budget for 2010/11.

The areas listed below have no implications directly arising from this report

- Legal and Confidentiality
- Personnel
- Environmental
- Equalities Impact Assessment
- Health & Safety
- Risk
- Policy Review

If Board members or others would like to discuss this report ahead of the meeting please contact the author, or the Chief Executive, phil.davies@derbyhomes.org - Tel 01332 711010

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Background Information: By request

Supporting Information: By request

APPENDIX 1

Bollards

Supply and install 1m high cast iron bollards with reflective strips.

325 bollards @ £170.00/bollard **£55,250.00**

Fencing

Supply and install 1m high black metal bow top fencing and gates (single and doubles) to the front boundary of properties along Harvey Road

(Approximately)

819m fence/hedge removal @ £15.00/m **£12,285.00**

819m fencing @ £70.00/m **£57,330.00**

119nr double gates @ £650.00/nr **£77,350.00**

116nr single gates @ £450.00/nr **£52,200.00**

£199,165.00

Parking

To the front of the properties on Harvey Road, take up existing grassed areas and lay 100% UK recycled ground reinforcement to create parking bays. Sections to be in filled with gravel.

Creation of 87 bays (based on £78.00/m²) **£165,913.02**

Trees

Installation of new trees to green areas. Installation of black metal protection bars around existing and new trees.

Budget allocation **£30,000.00**

Art

Installation of various art and aesthetically pleasing items along Harvey Road including new benches.

Budget allocation **£15,000.00**

Contingency

Inclusion of a contingency for planning, highway management and other unforeseen circumstances

Contingency **£5,000.00**